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Method for The Manufacture of a Partially Crystalline

Polycondensate

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2007, please amend the application as follows:

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In the Description

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Page 2, lines 5 to 7, change "This object... formed." to

--Briefly, the invention provides a method in which a polycondensate prepolymer melt is continuously manufactured and cut upon exiting from a nozzle to form solidified granulates of a size smaller than 2 mm. In addition, the granulates are treated at a temperature sufficient to achieve a predetermined degree of crystallization and subjected to a solid phase polycondensation to increase their molecular weight. --

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